

Minutes of the  
Air Pollution Control Advisory Board  
February 23, 2016

**I. Roll Call - Cook**

Members Presents: Bill Avery, Wanda Blasnitz, Deb McGuire, Phil Nalley, Cindy Rempe, Lucas Sabacka, Piyush Srivastav and Rachel Warman.

Members Absent: Jack Coogan and Martha Shulski

Staff: Chris Schroeder, Lori Cook, Anne Pamperl and Scott Holmes

**II. Approval of Minutes - Cook**

Wanda Blasnitz made a motion to approve the 11-3-15 minutes. Seconded by Deb McGuire. Discussion was held. Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote.

**III. Public Session**

Rachel Warman addressed this item.

**IV. Current Business - Action Items**

None

**V. Current Business - Information Items**

**A. Local Air Quality Monitoring Particulate Matter (PM) 2.5-Results for 2015-Schroeder**

Our office currently has two monitors on our building's roof that we do sampling every third or sixth day. Several graphs were shown about the mean of PM 2.5 concentrations. The website for AirNow was shown and it was explained about the Air Quality Index (AQI). Items that cause high AQI are the Flint Hills burning, Canadian wild fires, July 3 and 4 with fireworks and in the winter the secondary formation of sulfate/nitrates. Discussion held.

**B. EPA's 2011 National Air Toxics Assessment – Local Considerations - Schroeder**

The 2011 NATA was released in December 2015. EPA used the 2011 calendar year emission. It is a screening tool for potential risks from breathing air toxics. It can be used to identify and prioritize air toxic pollutants, source types and locations of potential concern. EPA looked at all the source etc. stationary, mobile sources, burning events, transport plus others. EPA also looked at some trends from this assessment. Chris showed several maps and charts. Our office is looking at the information and discussing local efforts. Discussion held.

**C. Air Quality Program Updates – Enforcement – Schroeder**

Our office has the authority to do enforcement under two regulations from our LLCAPCPRS. Nebraska constitution requires that civil penalties go into the state school fund or our office encourages supplement environmental projects (SEP's) which help the community. Our office did start on October 1, 2015 to begin

conducting unannounced inspection of our sources. Our office also enforces open burning, air pollution nuisances, and noise issues. One of our sources had 4 violations in the last 5 years. Their last violation was an opacity violation in October of 2015. EPA has decided to take on this case. Discussion held.

**VI. Announcements**

Rachel Warman announced that the next two meeting dates will be May 3, 2016 and August 2, 2016.

**VII. Adjournment**

Deb McGuire made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Cindy Rempe. Motion carried by a 7-0 roll call vote. Adjourned at 4:00 PM.